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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED OFFICE (DO/US)

In re: Denis Tranchand-Bunel, et al.
U.S. Application No.: 09/868,399
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PCT No.: PCT/FR99/03311
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For: DETECTING AND MONITORING HIV
INFECTIONS

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**CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.497(d)**

Sir:

This is in response to the Decision dated 03 July 2002, which states that the applicants must submit a proper request under 37 CFR 1.497(d) to correct inventorship.

By way of background, our previous response explained that a clerical error was made in the International Application in that Helene Gras-Masse was incorrectly listed on the application document in the area for designating Applicant (for all states except the United States) rather than in the area for designating Inventor (for the United States). Ms. Gras-Masse was thus erroneously omitted as an inventor in the application documents.

Therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.497(d), applicants request correction of the inventorship in the present application, by adding Helene Gras-Masse as an inventor.

Enclosed is a Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.497(d)(1) by Ms. Gras-Masse stating that the error in inventorship in the international application occurred without deceptive intention on her part.

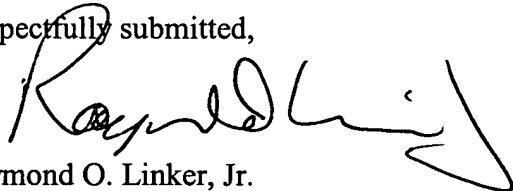
Also enclosed is the written consent of the Assignees pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.497(d)(3).

Also enclosed is a check for the processing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) in the amount of \$130.00.

Due to the very short time period for response to the 03 July 2002 Decision, and the fact that the parties signing the accompanying Statements are located in France, it has been necessary to submit facsimile copies of the signed originals in order to meet the non-extendable one-month period for response. Applicants' attorney will submit the original signed documents as soon as these are received. The Statement by the Assignees has been signed on behalf of Institut Pasteur De Lille by P. Amouyel, its Deputy Administrator. The Statement has been signed by Centre National De La Recherche Scientifique-CNRS by Joseph Baixeras, its Acting Delegate. Applicants' attorney also encloses duplicate unsigned originals of the two statements, since the legibility of the facsimile copies is poor.

It is submitted that all necessary requirements for correction of inventorship have been met. Accordingly, applicants request confirmation that the inventorship has been corrected, and issuance of a filing receipt in this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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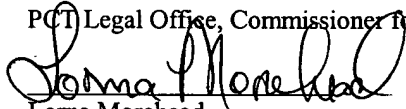
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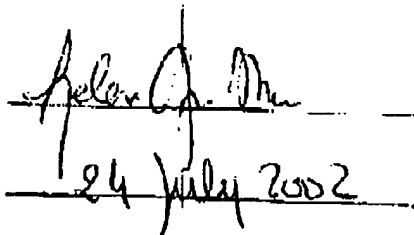
STATEMENT BY INVENTOR UNDER 37 CFR 1.497(d)

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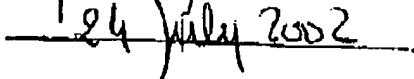
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STATEMENT BY ASSIGNOR UNDER 37 CFR 1.491(b)

The Assignor of this application is INSTITUT PASTEUR IN THE U.S. and CENTRE NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE SCIENTIFIQUE - CNRS by virtue of an assignment by the original inventors which has been recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 12, 2002 at Reel/Frame 012008/0527.

The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the Assignor.

The Assignor consents to the requested change of ownership in the International Application.

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Administrative Delegate
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STATEMENT BY ASSIGNEE UNDER 37 CFR 1.497(d)

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